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NORRAG's work on the digitalisation of education aims to surface fresh analytical perspectives and under-represented expertise about digitalisation and its consequences for education globally. Despite resurgent interest in technology in education research, policy, planning and practice, many areas that are critical to understanding the challenges as well as the benefits of the ongoing digitalisation of education remain understudied, and the evidence that does exist remains under-shared

This publication developed from an ongoing collaboration with the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Right to Education that aimed to inform her 2022 report: The impact of the digitalisation of education on the right to education. NORRAG convened a ninemonth multi-disciplinary expert consultation process that mobilised and distilled learning for education policy and practice from critical and under-represented research and evidence, including from the Global South. This collection shares short pieces authored by participating experts, who provide profound yet digestible insights about the digitalisation of education and its consequences for learners, communities, practitioners and policy makers, and trace future pathways for change and transformation.

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